



# Birds of

## Anahuac National Wildlife Refuge

This list contains 281 species considered part of the Refuge avifauna. Another twenty-two species have been seen on the Refuge only once or twice and are considered accidental. Species are listed in accordance with the seventh edition of the A.O.U. Checklist and its 2000 and 2002 Supplements. Accepted new names are used.

Symbols used in this list are defined as follows:

Sp Spring March - May

Su Summer June - July

F Fall August - November

W Winter December - February

A Abundant

A common species that is very numerous.

C Common

Certain to be seen in suitable habitats.

U Uncommon

Present, not certain to be seen.

O Occasional

Seen few times during the season.

R Rare

Seen at intervals of 2 to 5 years.

X Accidental

Has been seen only once or twice.

\* Nesting Species

Common Name	Sp	Su	F	W
<b>Loons</b>				
___Common Loon				U
<b>Grebes</b>				
___Least Grebe			Accidental	
___Pied-billed Grebe*	C	A	C	C
___Horned Grebe				O
___Eared Grebe	C		C	C
<b>Boobies and Gannets</b>				
___Northern Gannet			Accidental	
<b>Pelicans</b>				
___American White Pelican	C		C	A
___Brown Pelican	O		O	O
<b>Cormorants</b>				
___Neotropic Cormorant	U	O	U	U
___Double-crested Cormorant	C		C	C
<b>Anhinga</b>				
___Anhinga	U	U	U	O
<b>Frigatebirds</b>				
___Magnificent Frigatebird		O	O	
<b>Bitterns and Herons</b>				
___American Bittern	C		C	O
___Least Bittern*	C	C	C	
___Great Blue Heron*	C	C	C	C

Common Name	Sp	Su	F	W
<b>Bitterns and Herons, Continued</b>				
___Great Egret*	C	C	C	C
___Snowy Egret*	C	C	C	C
___Little Blue Heron*	U	U	U	U
___Tricolored Heron*	C	C	C	C
___Reddish Egret		O		
___Cattle Egret*	A	A	A	O
___Green Heron*	C	C	C	R
___Black-crowned Night-Heron*	C	C	C	U
___Yellw-crown'd Night-Heron*	U	U	U	O
<b>Ibises and Spoonbills</b>				
___White Ibis	C	C	C	C
___Glossy Ibis	R	O	O	O
___White-faced Ibis	C	C	A	C
___Roseate Spoonbill	C	C	C	C
<b>Storks</b>				
___Wood Stork		U	U	
<b>American Vultures</b>				
___Black Vulture	C	U	U	U
___Turkey Vulture	C	C	C	C
<b>Ducks, Geese, and Swans</b>				
___Black-bellied Whstlng-Duck*	U	U	U	O
___Fulvous Whistling-Duck*	C	U	U	O
___Greater White-fronted Goose	O		A	A
___Snow Goose	U		A	A
___Ross' Goose	R		U	U
___Canada Goose	O		C	A
___Wood Duck			U	U
___Gadwall	C		A	A
___Eurasian Wigeon			Accidental	
___American Wigeon	C		C	O
___American Black Duck			Accidental	
___Mallard	C	A	A	
___Mottled Duck*	C	C	C	C
___Blue-winged Teal*	A	R	A	O
___Cinnamon Teal				U
___Northern Shoveler	A		A	A
___Northern Pintail	C		A	A
___Green-winged Teal	C	A	A	A
___Canvasback	U		U	C
___Redhead	O		O	O
___Ring-necked Duck	U		C	C
___Greater Scaup				R
___Lesser Scaup	C		C	C
___Black Scoter			Accidental	
___Long-tailed Duck			Accidental	
___Bufflehead	O			O
___Common Goldeneye				R
___Hooded Merganser				R
___Red-breasted Merganser	A			U
___Masked Duck*		R	R	
___Ruddy Duck*	C	R	C	C
<b>Hawks, Kites, and Eagles</b>				
___Osprey	O		O	O
___White-tailed Kite	U		U	C
___Mississippi Kite	O		O	
___Bald Eagle			O	O
___Northern Harrier	C	R	C	C
___Sharp-shinned Hawk	O		O	
___Cooper's Hawk	O		O	

Common Name	Sp	Su	F	W
<b>Hawks, Kites, and Eagles, Continued</b>				
___Red-shouldered Hawk	O	O	O	O
___Broad-winged Hawk	U		U	
___Swainson's Hawk	U		U	
___White-tailed Hawk	X		O	O
___Red-tailed Hawk	C		C	C
___Ferruginous Hawk			Accidental	
___Rough-legged Hawk			R	R
___Golden Eagle			R	R
<b>Caracaras and Falcons</b>				
___Crested Caracara*	R			U
___American Kestrel			C	C
___Merlin	R		R	
___Peregrine Falcon	O		O	O
___Prairie Falcon	R		R	
<b>Pheasants and Turkeys</b>				
___Ring-necked Pheasant	O	O	O	O
<b>New World Quail</b>				
___Northern Bobwhite*	U	U	U	U
<b>Rails, Gallinules, and Coots</b>				
___Yellow Rail	U		U	U
___Black Rail	O	R	O	O
___Clapper Rail*	C	C	C	C
___King Rail*	C	C	C	C
___Virginia Rail	U		U	U
___Sora	U		U	U
___Purple Gallinule*	C	C	U	
___Common Moorhen*	C	A	C	C
___American Coot*	A	O	A	A
<b>Cranes</b>				
___Sandhill Crane				O
<b>Plovers</b>				
___Black-bellied Plover	C		C	U
___American Golden-Plover	A		R	
___Snowy Plover		R		
___Semipalmated Plover	U		U	
___Piping Plover		O	O	
___Killdeer*	C	C	A	A
<b>Stilts and Avocets</b>				
___Black-necked Stilt*	C	C	C	
___American Avocet	U		C	U
<b>Jacanas</b>				
___Northern Jacana			Accidental	
<b>Sandpipers and Phalaropes</b>				
___Greater Yellowlegs	A		A	C
___Lesser Yellowlegs	A		A	C
___Solitary Sandpiper	U		U	
___Willet*	C	C	C	C
___Spotted Sandpiper	C		C	U
___Upland Sandpiper	C		C	
___Whimbrel	O		R	
___Long-billed Curlew	C		C	C
___Hudsonian Godwit	O			
___Marbled Godwit	C		C	U
___Ruddy Turnstone	O		O	O
___Surfbird			Accidental	
___Red Knot	O		O	
___Sanderling	U	O	U	U
___Semipalmated Sandpiper	A		A	
___Western Sandpiper	A		A	C

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<b>Sandpipers and Phalaropes, Continued</b>					<b>Tyrant Flycatchers, Continued</b>					<b>Wood-warblers, Continued</b>				
___Least Sandpiper	C		C	U	___Eastern Phoebe	U		C	C	___Magnolia Warbler	C		C	
___White-rumped Sandpiper	U				___Say's Phoebe			Accidental		___Black-throated Blue Warbler	R			
___Baird's Sandpiper	U		U		___Vermilion Flycatcher	O		O		___Yellow-rumped Warbler	C		U	C
___Pectoral Sandpiper	A		A		___Ash-throated Flycatcher	U		U	R	___Blk-throated Green Warbler	C		C	
___Dunlin	A	A	A	C	___Grt Crested Flycatcher	U		U		___Townsend's Warbler	Accidental			
___Stilt Sandpiper	A	A			___Western Kingbird	R		R		___Blackburnian Warbler	O			
___Buff-breasted Sandpiper	O		O		___Eastern Kingbird*	C	U	C		___Yellow-throated Warbler	O			
___Short-billed Dowitcher	U		U	U	___Scissor-tailed Flycatcher*	C	U	C		___Prairie Warbler			R	
___Long-billed Dowitcher	A		A	C	<b>Shrikes</b>					___Palm Warbler	U		O	
___Wilson's Snipe	C		C	C	___Loggerhead Shrike*	C	U	C	C	___Bay-breasted Warbler	U			
___American Woodcock	U		U	U	<b>Vireos</b>					___Blackpoll Warbler	O			
___Wilson's Phalarope	U		U		___White-eyed Vireo	U		U		___Cerulean Warbler	R		R	
<b>Gulls, Terns, and Skimmers</b>					___Yellow-throated Vireo	O				___Black-and-white Warbler	C		C	
___Laughing Gull	A	A	A	C	___Blue-headed Vireo	U		U	R	___American Redstart	U		U	
___Franklin's Gull			O		___Warbling Vireo	O				___Prothonotary Warbler	U		U	
___Ring-billed Gull	C		C	C	___Philadelphia Vireo	O				___Worm-eating Warbler	O			
___California Gull	Accidental				___Red-eyed Vireo	U		U		___Swainson's Warbler	R			
___Herring Gull	C		U	C	<b>Crows and Jays</b>					___Ovenbird	O			
___Gull-billed Tern	C	C	C	O	___Blue Jay			U	C	___Northern Waterthrush	C		C	
___Caspian Tern	U	U	U	U	___American Crow			Accidental		___Louisiana Waterthrush	U		U	
___Royal Tern	U	U	U	U	<b>Larks</b>					___Kentucky Warbler	U			
___Sandwich Tern		O			___Horned Lark*	C	U	C	C	___Common Yellowthroat*	C	U	C	C
___Common Tern	O		O	R	<b>Swallows</b>					___Hooded Warbler	U			
___Forster's Tern	C	C	C	C	___Purple Martin*	C	C			___Wilson's Warbler	U		U	
___Least Tern*	C	C			___Tree Swallow	A		A		___Canada Warbler	O			
___Sooty Tern	Accidental				___Violet-green Swallow	Accidental				___Yellow-breasted Chat	U		U	
___Black Tern	A	C	A		___No. Rough-winged	U		U		<b>Tanagers</b>				
___Black Skimmer	U	U	U	R	___Bank Swallow	U		U		___Summer Tanager	U		U	
<b>Pigeons and Doves</b>					___Cliff Swallow	U		U		___Scarlet Tanager	U			
___Rock Dove			R		___Barn Swallow*	A	C	A		<b>Sparrows and Allies</b>				
___Band-tailed Pigeon	Accidental				<b>Chickadees and Titmice</b>					___Eastern Towhee				U
___Eurasian Collared-Dove	R	R	R	R	___Carolina Chickadee*	U	U	U	U	___Chipping Sparrow			O	
___White-winged Dove	R		R		<b>Creepers</b>					___Field Sparrow				U
___Mourning Dove*	C	C	C	C	___Brown Creeper			U		___Vesper Sparrow	U		U	
___Inca Dove*	R	R	R		<b>Wrens</b>					___Lark Sparrow	O		O	
___Common Ground-Dove			R		___Carolina Wren	U	U	U	U	___Black-throated Sparrow	Accidental			
<b>Cuckoos</b>					___House Wren	C		U	O	___Lark Bunting	Accidental			
___Black-billed Cuckoo	O				___Winter Wren			R	R	___Savannah Sparrow	A		A	A
___Yellow-billed Cuckoo*	C	U			___Sedge Wren	C		C	C	___LeConte's Sparrow	U			U
___Groove-billed Ani	Accidental				___Marsh Wren*	U	U	U	U	___Nelson's Sharp-tailed	U		U	U
<b>Barn Owls</b>					<b>Kinglets</b>					___Seaside Sparrow*	C	C	C	C
___Barn Owl*	U	U	U	U	___Golden-crowned Kinglet			O		___Song Sparrow	U		U	O
<b>Typical Owls</b>					___Ruby-crowned Kinglet	C		U	O	___Lincoln's Sparrow	U		U	U
___Eastern Screech-Owl	R	R	R	R	<b>Gnatcatchers</b>					___Swamp Sparrow	C		C	C
___Great Horned Owl	O	O	O	O	___Blue-gray Gnatcatcher	C		C	U	___White-throated Sparrow	U		U	U
___Burrowing Owl			O	O	<b>Thrushes</b>					___Harris' Sparrow			R	
___Short-eared Owl			U	U	___Eastern Bluebird	Accidental				___White-crowned Sparrow	U		U	
<b>Goatsuckers</b>					___Veery	O		O		___Dark-eyed Junco				O
___Common Nighthawk*	A	A	C		___Gray-cheeked Thrush	U		U		<b>Cardinals, Grosbeaks, and Allies</b>				
___Chuck-will's-widow	U		U		___Swainson's Thrush	C		C		___Northern Cardinal*	C	O	O	C
___Whip-poor-will	U		U		___Hermit Thrush	U		O	O	___Rose-breasted Grosbeak	C			
<b>Swifts</b>					___Wood Thrush	U		U		___Blue Grosbeak	C		C	
___Chimney Swift	R		R		___American Robin			O	O	___Indigo Bunting	C		C	
<b>Hummingbirds</b>					<b>Mockingbirds and Thrashers</b>					___Painted Bunting*	U	U		
___Ruby-throated	U		U		___Gray Catbird	C		U		___Dickeissel*	A	C		
<b>Kingfishers</b>					___Northern Mockingbird*	U	C	U	U	<b>Blackbirds</b>				
___Belted Kingfisher	C		C	U	___Sage Thrasher	Accidental				___Bobolink	R			
<b>Woodpeckers</b>					___Brown Thrasher	U		C	U	___Red-winged Blackbird*	A	A	A	A
___Red-headed Woodpecker		R			<b>Starlings</b>					___Eastern Meadowlark*	A	A	A	A
___Red-bellied Woodpecker	O	R			___European Starling*	C	C	C	C	___Western Meadowlark	O		O	O
___Yellow-bellied Sapsucker			O		<b>Pipits</b>					___Yellow-headed Blackbird	R		R	
___Downy Woodpecker*	U	U	U	U	___American Pipit	U		C	C	___Brewer's Blackbird				U
___Northern Flicker	U		C	O	___Sprague's Pipit			O	O	___Common Grackle	C	C	C	C
___Pileated Woodpecker	Accidental				<b>Wood-warblers</b>					___Boat-tailed Grackle*	A	A	A	A
<b>Tyrant Flycatchers</b>					___Blue-winged Warbler	O				___Great-tailed Grackle		R		
___Olive-sided Flycatcher	R		U		___Golden-winged Warbler	O				___Brown-headed Cowbird*	C	U	C	A
___Eastern Wood-Pewee	U		U		___Tennessee Warbler	C		C		___Orchard Oriole*	C	C	U	
___Yellow-bellied Flycatcher	U		U		___Orange-crowned Warbler	U		U	O	___Baltimore Oriole	U		U	
___Acadian Flycatcher	U		U		___Nashville Warbler	U		U		<b>Finches</b>				
___Alder Flycatcher	R		R		___Northern Parula	O				___American Goldfinch				U
___Willow Flycatcher	U		U		___Yellow Warbler	C		C		<b>Old World Sparrows</b>				
___Least Flycatcher	U		U		___Chestnut-sided Warbler	U				___House Sparrow*	O	O	O	O]